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SUBJECT: ARTICLE XXIV:6

REF: STATE 62026, 62093

1. PERMREP SOURCES TELL US THAT WELLENSTEIN GAVE THE EBERLE LETTER (REFTEL) TO THE PERMREPS DURING THEIR MORNING SESSION ON MARCH 28. HE INTRODUCED IT BY SAYING THAT THE COMMISSION WOULD BE REPORTING TO THE COUNCIL REACTIONS TRADING PARTNERS TO THE EC DECEMBER OFFER. AMONG THOSE REACTIONS WERE THOSE OF THE UNITED STATES EXPRESSED IN THE EBERLE LETTER TO THE COMMISSION. WELLENSTEIN SAID THE COMMISSION WANTED THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MEMBER STATES TO HAVE THE PAPER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT

THE PERMREPS COULD DISCUSS IT FURTHER ON THE AFTERNOON OF MARCH 29.
(BY GIVING THE PAPER 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE THERE WAS A CHANCE THAT
MEMBER STATES COULD RECEIVE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE THE MEETING
TOMORROW AFTERNOON. WE KNOW THAT A NUMBER OF MEMBER STATES HAVE
REQUESTED INSTRUCTIONS. THE MEETING TOMORROW AFTERNOON WILL START
AT 3:30 P.M.)

2. IN THE PERM REP MEETING THE FRENCH REPRESENTATIVE SAID THAT
SINCE THE EC DECEMBER OFFER WAS A FINAL ONE, HE DID NOT THINK
THE EBERLE LETTER WAS APPROPRIATE NOW. THE DANISH REPRESENTATIVE
SAID THAT BECAUSE OF SHORT NOTICE IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE TO
HAVE SUBSTANTIVE COUNCIL DISCUSSION ON APRIL 1-2. HE SUGGESTED THAT
THE COMMISSION REPORT BE PUT OFF TILL THE MAY COUNCIL MEETING.
OTHER STATES WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO COMMENT TOMORROW AFTERNOON.

3. WE ALSO HAVE LEARNED THAT THE COMMISSION HAS SUMMONED A
MEETING OF THE ARTICLE 113 COMMITTEE FOR 10:30 A.M., MONDAY,
APRIL 1, IN LUXEMBOURG. THE PURPOSE WILL BE TO DISCUSS THE
EBERLE LETTER AND TO ASSIST THE COMMISSION IN DEVELOPING A
POSITION FOR THE ARTICLE XXIV:6 DISCUSSION IN THE COUNCIL OF
MINISTERS.GREENWALD

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